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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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REQUEST **FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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	See	tinued p	37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. less to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.	
1.	Su	bmiss	sion required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114	
	a.		Previously submitted	
		i.	Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).	
		ii.	Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on	
		iii.	Other	
	b.	X	Enclosed	
		i.	X Amendment	
		ii.	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)	
		iii.	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)	
		iv.	Other	
2.	Mis	scellaneous		
	a.		Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)	
	b.		Other	
3.	Fe	es	The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.	
	a.	\square	The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. <u>06-1205.</u>	
		i.	RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)	
		ii. iii.	Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) Other	
	b.	х	The requisite fee in the amount of \$810.00 for the RCE is being paid electronically	
	c.		Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)	
			SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED	

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